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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: Application of TESHIMA, Takashi, KATO, Masaki, FUKUMOTO, Takatomo  
DRY TONER FOR ELECTROPHOTOGRAPHY, AND ITS PRODUCTION  
PROCESS  
Assignee: SEIKO EPSON CORPORATION  
Our Ref: Q78275

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 09/959,952 (Confirmation No.6797) filed November 13, 2001 of TESHIMA, Takashi, KATO, Masaki, and FUKUMOTO, Takatomo entitled DRY TONER FOR ELECTROPHOTOGRAPHY, AND ITS PRODUCTION PROCESS.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, 1 sheet of drawing, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 1756.

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This is a divisional of Application No. 09/959,952 filed November 13, 2001; the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2000-066300	March 10, 2000
Japan	2000-072335	March 15, 2000

The priority documents were filed in parent Application No. 09/959,952.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	4	-	20	=	_____	x	\$18.00	=	_____	\$0.00	
Independent claims	3	-	3	=	_____	x	\$86.00	=	_____	\$0.00	
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**TOTAL FILING FEE**

**\$770.00**



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A check for the statutory fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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